



Whiteshill Weekly News

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First of all, thank you to everyone who came along for our whole school cinema trip last Friday. It was such a lovely morning and the children, as always, were fantastically well behaved. They did incredibly well to complete the long walk with smiles on their faces the whole way – especially the younger children. I expect everybody slept very well on Friday night! You may have noticed a little snow falling yesterday. The children were incredibly excited and I think the maths lessons were waylaid for a while as they enjoyed watching the flakes fall! Just to remind you, if we do have heavy snow please look out for a text and email from school with information about whether we are open and check the Gloucestershire website for official confirmation if you are unsure: <http://ww3.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closedschools/> **Please note** that on 30th November Gloucestershire are changing their closed school website – I will let you know as soon as we are given details of the new one but until then please use the link above.



Please look out for our new homework policy which will be coming home in bags over the next couple of days. If you did not receive a media or medical consent letter last week, please let the office know. Both consent forms need to be returned to school by **Friday 30th November**.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Fri 30 th – Wed 5 th Dec	Book People in the school hall	Whole school
Fri 7 th Dec	Friends of Whiteshill School Festive Fayre 2.15pm - including Santa's grotto!	Whole school – everyone welcome!
Fri 14 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children	Whole school
Fri 14 th Dec	Friends of Whiteshill School Christmas Disco Infants – 3.30 – 5.00pm and Juniors – 5.15 – 6.45	Whole school
Tue 18 th Dec	Christmas Lunch	Whole school
Wed 19 th Dec	Nativity Play at Church 2pm and 6pm	Whole school
Fri 21 st Dec	Xmas Forest School	Whole school
Fri 21 st Dec	LAST DAY IN SCHOOL	

On Friday 14th we will be holding a Christmas jumper day so that the children can have fun and also support 'Save the Children' by giving £1 per jumper. If your child does not have a Christmas jumper anything festive will be fine – add tinsel to an old t-shirt or wear red and green. Festive jumpers can also be worn on Tuesday 18th for Christmas lunch day.

Christmas Lunch will be on Tuesday 18th December. You do not need to pre-order as your child can order his/her lunch in the usual way at morning registration. Children in Class 1 and 2's meal will be free as usual and Class 3 and Class 4 will be charged £2.36 via Parentpay. Unfortunately, we cannot accept cash or cheques for school lunches. If you do not have a Parentpay account already set up, please see Mrs Angove in the school Office.



Friends of Whiteshill School Festive Fayre!

As you no doubt know by now, on Friday 7th December we will be holding our new Festive Fayre event. Doors will open at 2.15pm for parents to have chance to look around before children come out of school and from 3.15 for children, members of the public and extended family. The hall will be full of a range of craft and gift stalls so that you can get some Christmas shopping in and there will be a whole host of festive games and activities for the children to take part in too. Refreshments will be available and we hope you will stay and enjoy the afternoon with us until 5.30pm. During the evening, children will have chance to buy a ticket (sibling and children who do not attend school are also welcome) to visit Santa's Grotto. Whiteshill's very own elves will be on hand to introduce you to Father Christmas himself and each child will come away with a present. This will replace our previous visit from Santa in school.



In the lobby of school there is a large box where we are asking for donations to be placed for both the teddy tombola and our festive hampers, which become raffle prizes. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase both on the night and during our upcoming book fair in School.

If anyone has any Christmas decorations, strings of lights or a small Christmas tree that they would be happy to let us borrow for the decoration of Santa's Grotto please bring them up to school at any point – it would be much appreciated!

Finally, a few photos of Mrs Cripps' art club this week...

